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SOVIETS CLAIM WORLD SPEED RECORD FOR MODEL HYDROPLANE

On 15 January 1952 the Aviation Sport Commission of the Central Aviation Club of the USSR imeni V. P. Chkalov confirmed a new all-union record for model hydroplanes.

Of the Flying Wing type and equipped with a K-16 motor, the model hydroplane reached a speed of 97.822 kilometers per hour while being flown on a guide wire on 27 Movember 1951. The plane was constructed and operated by V. Vasil'chenko of Dnepropetrovsk. The speed is claimed as both a world and an all-union record for model planes of the Flying Wing type with mechanical engines of up to 5 cubic centimaters in size.

Data on the flight have been submitted to the International Aviation Federation (FAI) for confirmation as a world record.

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